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7 May 1957

INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 7 May 1957

Director of Central Intelligence
Allen W. Dulles
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Howard Furnas, acting for Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral C. B. Martell, acting for Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General Millard Lewis, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters,
United States Air Force
Brigadier General Richard Collins, Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative
to the IAC
Mr. Meffert W. Kuhrtz, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation
representative to the IAC

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1. Approval of Minutes
30 April Meeting
(IAC-M-287)

Approved as written, subject to the amendment of the sixth line of item four to read: ". . . this agreement will be maintained on a continuous 24-hour basis."

2. Resolution on Departure of Mr. Armstrong
(IAC-M-287, item 11)

Pursuant to action taken at the Intelligence Advisory Committee meeting on 30 April 1957, which was the last meeting attended by Mr. Armstrong as a member of the IAC, the Committee considered and approved the following resolution:

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant for Intelligence, Department of State, has participated as a member of the Intelligence Advisory Committee since its inception, a period longer than any other member of that Committee. His experience, wisdom and patience have greatly assisted in bringing the work of the Committee to its present level of effectiveness. He has made a notable contribution to the production of National Intelligence and has been an effective exponent of the intelligence community concept, consistently seeking to develop the degree of mutual trust and cooperation between the members of that community. Accordingly, the members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee do hereby resolve formally to express their appreciation to Mr. Armstrong for his long service and valuable contributions to the work of the Committee and to the production of intelligence essential to the National Security.

3. NIE 11-2-57 (Part I)
The Soviet Atomic Energy Program

Approved as amended.

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4. Watch Committee Report
No. 352

Noted.

5. Report of Ad Hoc Prisoners
Information Support Committee
(IAC-D-101/4, 23 April)

Major Neumann discussed this matter generally with the members, noting particularly that this ad hoc committee had furnished a needed stimulant to activity in this field, and that the committee members now believed it could be dissolved. In the course of the discussion, reference was also made to the nature of the guidance provided by the committee, the numbers and possible location of remaining prisoners, and the need for continued efforts by the responsible agencies to collect such information. Following their exchange of views, the members approved the conclusions and recommendations of this report, including the recommendation that this ad hoc committee be dissolved.

6. Priority National Intelligence
Objectives in the Field of
International Communism
(IAC-D-50/11, 18 April)

25X1 After [] outlined the nature and purpose of these proposed objectives, Mr. Kent noted the desirability of ensuring that any subsidiary priority objectives, such as these, conform to the basic Priority National Intelligence Objectives (PNIO's). Mr. Kent then recommended, and the members concurred, that the Board of National Estimates, who had drafted the PNIO's, should review these objectives to ascertain whether they were consistent with the PNIO's, coordinating as appropriate with the IAC representatives, and later re-submitting them to the IAC. The members also agreed that the priority scientific and technical objectives previously approved by the IAC, and the priority economic objectives now being reconsidered by the EIC, should be reviewed under a similar procedure, and that these three sets of priority objectives, with any proposed revisions, should then be submitted together for reconsideration by the IAC.

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7. SNIE 36.5-57
US Prospects in Libya Over
the Next Few Years

- a. Approved this estimate, as amended.
- b. Approved the validity study of NIE 36.5-56, "The Outlook for US Interests in Libya," 19 June 1956, as amended.

8. Communication from
Executive Secretary, NSC

The Chairman referred to a recent communication from the Executive Secretary, NSC, which had been circulated to the IAC members, relative to a proposed national policy on counter intelligence and the establishment of a committee to implement such a policy. After General Schow and General Collins commented on the background of this matter, the Chairman indicated that he desired guidance from the members and might raise this matter again for discussion by the IAC.

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Adjournment: 1250

Secretary

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Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, the Secretary proposes to release to USIA SNIE 36.5-57, "US Prospects in Libya Over the Next Few Years," 7 May 1957.

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